



LAKE MOHAWK
PRESERVATION FOUNDATION

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Lake Mohawk Preservation Foundation
A Tax Exempt 501(c)(3) All Volunteer Charitable Organization
September 7, 2023
LMCC

MINUTES

In attendance: Bill Askin, Ryan Caruso, Bill Askin, Sr. (Treasurer), Tom Nerviano, Jim Wardell, Mark Scott (via phone), Susan Knauss (via phone), Damon Jenkins, Tara Rodriguez, Jules Hurley (admin)

Guests/volunteers: Pat Galperin

Absent: Julia Kelly

1. **Call to Order:** Roll Call, Approval of August 3, 2023 Meeting Minutes.
Quorum was confirmed at 5:30pm. Jim Wardell moved to approve minutes, Ryan Caruso seconded. Vote to approve minutes was unanimous.
2. **President's report:** Welcome Trustees and Volunteers. Bill reviewed the Agreement of Sale and Purchase of Real Estate for the gatehouses. Key points discussed: We have 105 days from date contract is signed to back out. Tax Exemption Applications due Oct 1, 2023. If we don't meet the deadline we will be required to pay taxes on the properties until Oct 2024. We need the deed to the properties in order to submit tax exempt application and to move forward with applications submitted to Sparta and Byram Townships. It was noted the Gatehouses cannot be occupied. They can be used for short term rental for meetings/events. Bill to finalize all documents. Motion to close the real estate transaction and take title to 3 lots pursuant to our contract with Lake Mohawk Country Club, despite knowing we have time for due diligence. Damon Jenkins approved, Tara Rodriguez 2nd the motion. All in favor.

Committee Reports

3. **Finance Committee/Treasurer's report:** Pop Askin. A motion was made to approve \$500.00 deposit to LMCC for April 27th fundraising event room reservation. Damon Jenkins approved, Tom Nervano 2nd. All in favor.
4. **Earth Day:** 2023 successful event! Big turnout. Earth Day volunteers 2024: Tara Rodriguez, Tom Nerviano, Jim Wardell, Pop Askin and Ryan Caruso.
5. **Fundraising Committee/Gatehouse Campaign and Strategy:** Mark Scott, Tom Nerviano, Ryan Caruso, Jules Hurley, Susan Knauss, Susan Egan. Mark Scott exploring grants to fund continuous Gatehouse initiative.
6. **Labor Day 5k:** No Report.
7. **Foundation Day:** Ryan, Susan K, Susan E, Jules Hurley. Possibly to be combined with Lake Preservation Recognition Celebration.
8. **Lake Preservation Recognition Celebration (Awards Event):** Susan Knauss booked a room at LMCC for a cocktail party Saturday April 27th.
9. **Festival of Trees/ Christmas Event:** Tabled for now.
10. **Communications, Pappoose, Website and Social Media Committee:**
Discussed putting meeting minutes on website. Jules Hurley to follow up with Kathleen.
11. **Scholarship Committee:** No report.
12. **Grant Applications Committee:** No Report
13. **Education Committee: No report**
14. **Historical Committee:** No report
15. **Old Business:** No Report.
16. **New Business:** No report

17. **Calendar:** Next meeting, Thursday Oct 5, 5:30pm in Members Room. Moving forward meetings will be on the 1st Thursday of the month.

Motion to adjourn by Susan Knauss, Ryan Caruso second. All in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Jules Hurley

